

- (c) Non-ionic emulsifiers that are ethoxylated esters (claims 1-5 in-part, 35-41 in-part and 67-76);
- (d) Acidic anionic polymers (claims 1-5 in-part and 17-41);
- (e) Acidic anionic polymers and anionic emulsifiers (claims 1-5 in-part and 17-23);
- (f) Cetyl alcohol and stearic acid (claims 42-49);
- (f) Sodium stearyl lactate and sodium isostearyl lactylate (claims 1-5 in-part and 50-57); and
- (g) Acidic wax and anionic emulsifiers (claims 1-5 in-part and 77-105).

As discussed during the telephone interview conducted on December 16, 2003, Applicant hereby elects with traverse the emulsifying system (a) anionic emulsifiers, with acidic waxes initially being elected as the specific compound. This election of emulsifying systems (a) anionic emulsifiers, with acidic waxes initially being elected as the specific compound, reads at least on claims 1-5 (in-part) and 77-105.

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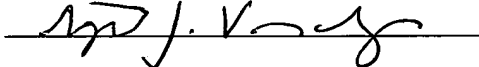
Conclusion

Applicant hereby elects with traverse the emulsifying system (a) anionic emulsifiers, with acidic waxes initially being elected as the specific compound, reading at least on claims 1-5 (in-part) and 77-105.

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